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Hill Hails Approaching Yuletide Holiday With Concerts, Banquets And Services

Marsh Announces Rules For Essay, Oratorical Contest

Papers Must Be In Before 1st Of May

By David Dickens

Rules and subjects for the 1951-52 Essay and Oration competition were announced by Professor Willard Marsh this week. All papers offered in the competition must be left at the President's office not later than noon on Thursday, May 1, 1952.

No papers may be written on subjects other than those assigned by the faculty. The topics for the essay prizes are: Dean Alfange Essay Prize, "The Search for an Objective Standard for the Constitutional Limits of Free Speech;" Cobb Essay Prize, "News-Slanting in the American Press;" Golding Essay Prize, "How Color-Blind is the Constitution? — Racial Segregation and the 14th Amendment," and the Hutton Essay Prize, "The Meaning of History in the Bible."

Class Prizes

The Kellogg Essay Prizes are limited to individual classes. Topics for the Juniors are "Boswell as Autobiographer: a Study of the London Journal" or "Hogarth as Social Satirist;" for the Sophomores, "Should We Subsidize the Arts?" or "The Poetry of T. S. Eliot;" and for the freshmen "Jonathan Swift and the Old Testament Prophets" or "Recent Developments in Residential Architecture." The Soper Prize Thesis must be written on "Obstacles in the Control of Inflation Through Taxation."

There are three oration prizes open to competition. The first is the Head Prize Oration on "Alexaxnder Hamilton: Chieftain of the Federalist Party." "The Apostle Paul's View of the Nature of Man" is the subject of the Kirkland Oration, and the Pruyn Prize Oration's topic is "Ethical Standards in Political Office."

Must Be Typed

All papers must be typewritten in double-space on one side of sheets about nine by eleven inches. Sheets must be properly numbered and fastened securely; they should not be rolled or folded. Each hundred words must be indicated by numbers in the margin. Each paper must be signed with a fictitious name and accompanied by a sealed envelope similarly marked and containing the name of the author. Orations and essays submitted in competition are subject to the honor system and must be handed in with a properly signed honor statement.

Papers not conforming to these requirements, and papers submitted late, will be returned to the writers. Successful papers become the property of the library.

Limits in Length

The Head, Kirkland, and Pruyn orations are limited to twelve hundred words. A senior may submit more than one oration in any of these competitions, and may receive more than one prize.

In the essay competitions, a student may write on more than one assigned subject and may receive more than one essay prize in the same year. Most essays should contain between 2,500 and 3,000 words. Exception is made, however, in the Major Arnold H. Golding Memorial Prize Competition for an award of $200; each student who enters this competition must submit a paper which is between 4,000 and 5,000 words in length, and which is provided with footnotes and a bibliography.

Detailed informaton about the compettions may be found under *Prizes* in the College Catalogue.

A Merry Christmas In An Unmerry World?

By William Hamilton
Dean of The College Chapel

As Christmas periodically rolls around, there are always those among us who like to point out the inappropriateness of speaking of a "merry" Christmas and a "happy" New Year. What sensitive person, they say, can achieve any kind of merriment in a broken and meaningless world like our own? And insofar as this kind of thing does remind us of the precarious basis on which most of us achieve our Christmas merriment (*White Christmas* beating you to insensibility on the street corners, Arthur Godfrey making like Santa Claus on the backs of magazines) we ought, perhaps, to listen. But what this apparently perceptive observation fails to take into account is the very simple fact that the festival of Christmas has nothing to do with the present state of the world, its wars, crises, anxietieis and despair. Not that it is not relevant to the world—far from that; but that the "joy" of Christmas is quite independent of the new toy, the new car, the presence or absence of peace at any particular time. Let us not be hyper-sensitive, either, about the "commercialization" of the Christmas season. It's an appalling thing, vulgar and ridiculous; but let us not be in a position of depriving people of this source of admittedly trumped-up merriment when the deeper Christian source of joy has become inaccessible to them. We live in a lonely, fearful world in which men have forgotten how to go to Bethlehem; let us not deprive them, at least, of their privilege of going to Macy's.

What Is The Source of Christmas Joy?

What, then, is the source of the Christmas joy? Why should good Christian men (and bad ones as well) rejoice?

I've often wondered why the three wise men, who left King Herod's court under orders to find out about that badly-behaving star, bothered to take those rather cumbersome gifts along with them in their saddle-bags (or whatever it is that camels wear). What or who did they expect to find that was worth giving gold to? These men were academicians, remember. Masters of all ancient and modern wisdom. Shrewd, scientific, no-nonsense-about-this-moving-star sort of men. One thing we can be sure of. They weren't prepared for what must have been a rather smelly barn behind an out-of-the-way village inn, a swarm of farm animals, and a child only a couple of hours old, lying in a food-trough, used not long before for the pigs and sheep. The wisdom of the ages entered the barn, though, and dropped to ts knees before the child.

This Claim, If True, Is All-Important

A plausible case can be made out against the truth of the Christian claim that, at this moment of time, in a particular barn, in a particular village, a decisive thing happened that has made history since quite different. But what cannot be claimed is this: if Christianity is true, t s not all-important. If it is true, if this was really God visiting and redeeming His people, making possible a meaning and a self-knowledge and a hope that would have been quite impossible otherwise; if it is true that in this barn, in this village, at this particular time, the only real possibility of avoiding despair and self-righteousness was given by God to man; if all this, then here is the joy, here is the reason for our poor gratitude at Christmas, here is why we can say, without being ashamed—even (or rather especially) to the cold and the poor and the afraid—a "merry" Christmas. Once again we are asked to make our way through a bewildering world to a Bethlehem which, if found, cannot help but make us shout and sing for joy. Therefore: Merry Christmas!

Rehearsing For Concert In Commons Monday Night

Shown in one of their weekly rehearsals is the Hamilton College choir, directed by John Baldwin. The choir will present a concert Monday night in Commons.

Choirs To Sing Seasonal Carols

By Trafford Allpass

With the weather on the Hill starting to live up to the season again, and with the local air-ways beginning to spout forth Christmas carols and gift shopping warnings, Hamilton College will soon pick up the Yuletide spirit.

Musically, the Choir, the Buffers, and banqueting fraternity voices will all contribute to the traditional carolling, while many a toast to the season is downed in good style. Not forgetting the more serious side of the holiday, many of Utica's orphaned children will be entertained by fraternities, and morning and evening Chapel services will be held Sunday in keeping with the real meaning of the Christmas season.

Choir to Sing

Monday at 8:30 p. m. in the Hall of Commons, the College Choir and the Boys' Chorus of Utica's Grace Church, conducted by John L. Baldwin, will present a four part program of Christmas carols. Some of the familiar songs the group will sing include *Silent Night, I Wonder as I Wander, We Wish You a Merry Christmas, Good King Wencelas,* and *Adeste Fideles.* The combined choir has worked over a month in preparing for the concert.

The program will include Ed Draffin, Pieter Mayer, and John Ferris as soloists, with Tom Bridges, flutist, and Tom Fisher, pianist, as accompanists. Larry Gulick has taken over the managerial tasks for the performance.

Two Sunday Services

Sunday Chapel services will include a morning service at 10:30. Attendance is voluntary. The service has been especially arranged by Chapel Dean William Hamilton for all the children of the College community. The regular Sunday evening service this week will be devoted to the singing of Christmas carols and the reading of traditional Old and New Testament chapters. The Choir will sing one group of Christmas songs, and Dean Hamilton will conduct the service.

Immediately following the Sunday evening Chapel service, all members of the College community are invited to Commons for refreshments, additional carolling and singing by the Buffers.

Fraternity Banquets

Fraternity banquets and Christmas parties are scheduled for the remainder of the pre-vacation week. The Theta Delts held a party for the orphaned children of Utica's House of the Good Shepherd this afternoon, while the DU house and ELS will follow suit tomorrow.

Sigma Phi will be the site of a party for all the children on the Hill and area alumni and their families on Sunday afternoon. The DKE pledge delegation plans to round out their celebration with the presentation of a play. Similarly, the Alpha Delts will trod the boards as they present their annual production for the faculty and student body on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

The Accomplished Fools by eighteenth century journalist Richard Steele, is the farce on the Alpha Delt bill this year. Some of the cast have been forced to muster up as much feminity as possible to play the female parts. Fitted out with the appropriate period costumes and bombastic drama the Alpha Delt "Players" will perform for a student audience on Tuesday evening while on Wednesday faculty and friends will be their guests.

Hamilton Second In Novice Debate

Hamilton debaters returned from a novice tournament at Colgate University Saturday with a record of four wins in six debates.

Although Bill Wehymeyer, president of the Hamilton club, has not yet received official notice of the standings of the six teams who participated in the competition, he said earlier thiis week that he expected that Hamilton would rank second and Colgate first.

Accompanied By Marsh

Hamilton students taking part in the debates included Alan Savory, Sheldon Glass, Calvin Torrance, and Robin Holloway. Professor Willard Marsh, chairman of the speech department, accompanied the group and served as a judge in the tournament.

The topic debated by Colgate, Hamilton, Le Moyne, Syracuse and Albany State was: "Resolved: That the federal government should adopt a permanent program of price and wage controls."

Frosh Party Tonight

The freshman pledge class of Sigma Phi will sponsor a beer party at 9 p. m. today for all members of the Class of '55 in the Sig House.

Pledges Go Over $3500 Objective Of Campus Fund

Hamilton's 1951 Campus Fund drive is over the top, chairman Si Keehn told the Chapel Board at its meeting Wednesday night.

To date, $3,582.14 has been pledged to the Fund. The goal was $3,500.

Ninety-two per cent of the pledge cards have been returned to Fund treasurer Ron Seaman. Only 27 of 654 persons asked to contribute to the Fund have refused to make donations.

Forty-nine pledge cards have not yet been returned. The average contribution per pledge is $5.92.

Money from the Fund will be sent to Athens College, the National Scholarship Service and Fund for Negro students, the World Student Service Fund, and Munich University.

Absent Members Block IFC Work

The absence of three members from the I.F.C. meeting Monday night forced the Council to cancel its official business meeting. The Council cannot conduct business without a quorum of ten of twelve members. The absent members were Larry Rouillard of Sigma Phi, Carl Wheeler of ELS and Ted Mullett of Alpha Delt.

The members present were told that Ellis Bradford, assistant director of admisisons, had requested a member of each house to meet with that house's freshmen in order to obtain names of candidates for admittance to Hamilton.

Names, addresses and schools of these candidates are to be handed into Mr. Bradford's office by next week, along with the names of those who submitted them.

Change Laundries

At the last meeting, the Council voted unanimously to change from McPherson's Laundry to the Lincoln Laundry. This is not the same laundry that runs the Lincoln Laundry Dry Cleaning Company that services Hamilton. Confusion has arisen since the Lincoln Laundry does operate a Lincoln Cleaners.

Chharlatans To Do WIBX Broadcast

The Charlatans will broadcast radio-writer Norman Corwin's *Plot to Overthrow Christmas* on Sunday afternoon's *Hamilton College - on - the - Air* program over station WIBX. The half hour program found at 950 on the radio dial, is presented weekly from 1:30 to 2:00 p. m.

The radio play is the second production for the Charlatans, who presented their fall plays, *The Browning Version* and *Harlequinade* last week to capacity audiences. The total attendance figure for *Playbill's* performances is 550, which is a Charlatans' record. Last year's figure of 425 for the *Male Animal* was the previous top for the group.

Brownfield to Direct

Next Sunday's radio play is directed by Jack Brownfield, Charlatan's assistant director and the lead in last week's *Browning Version.* Included in the cast of the *Plot to Overthrow Christmas* are Neil Gould as Nero; David Parfitt, the courier; David Grinwiss, Sotto Voce; Dan Fulmer, the narrator; Bill Woodman, Haman; Paul Hogan, Ivan the Terrible; Harry Woggon, Caligula; Ted Davis, Simon Legree; David Freyss, Santa Slaus; Edith Brownfield as Lucretia Borgiia.

Corwin's First Play

Plot is Corwins first radio play, written by the author at Christmas time, 1938. The play is a fantasy about a proposed plan in Hell to do away with Christmas. The characters, all historical figures well-known for their evil doings, use a vernacular that is completely in rhymes. The cleverness and humor of the play are built around the lines.

Increased Advertising Makes Large Paper

This issue of *The Spectator* is the second eight page, seven column paper to be published on the Hill since the war. This Christmas edition was made financially possible by the efforts of Business Manager Bob Lang, Advertising Manager Jack Hoyt and their staff.

Solicitors for Christmas advertising included Ralph Noveck, Pete Whitcombe, Bing Hastings, Charlie Persons, Bob Hendel, Frank Weber, Neil Lempert, Bob Olwine, and Jeff Bennett.

Schedule For Semester Examinations

Printed below is the final exam schedule, as approved by the Academic Council, for the first semester. The day before the examination period begins, Wednesday, January 23, was declared a College holiday at the December faculty meeting.

Morning Examinations, 9:00 to 12:00.

Afernoon Examinations, 2:00 to 5:00.

English Composition 1A, 1:30 to 5:30.

Public Speaking 1, 2:00 to 4:00.

Report all conflicts to the Dean's office at once.

Thursday, a. m., January 24

Anthropcology 1	Sci. 109
Chemistry 1	Chem. 10
English Literature 9	Truax 1
English Literature 13	Root 26
Greek 3	Middle 101
Philosophy 3	Truax 3
Physics 1 (f)	Sci. 312

Thursday, p. m., January 24

English Literature 1 (a)	Root 23
Geology 1	Sci. 109
German 7	Ben. 6
History 7	Tr. 4, 6
Latin 7	Mid. 101
Mathematics 9	Root 24
Philosophy 7	Root 6
Psychology 5	Sci. 211
Social Studies 1	Root 20

Friday, a. m., January 25

Anthropology 8	Root 34
Biology 3	Sci. 211
Economics 11	Root 6
English Literature 1 (c & d)	Rt. 20, 23, 24
English Literature 5	Truax 3
Mathematics 1C	Root 26
Music 1	Sil. 24
Physics 5	Sci. 312
Political Science 19	Truax 1

Friday, p. m., January 25

Education 1	Root 26
Education 5	Root 26
English Literature 1 (b)	Rt. 20, 23
French 7	Ben. 3
Geology 7	Sci. 109
Geology 9	Sci. 211
History 1	Tr. 1,3,4,6
Philosophy 5	Ben. 1
Physics 1 (b)	Sci. 312

Saturday, a. m., January 26

Anthropology 5	Mid. 101
English Literature 1 (e)	Root 23
German 5 (e)	Ben. 6
History 3	Truax 6
History 15	Truax 4
Latin 13	Ben. 5
Mathematics 1A	Truax 1
Mathematics 1B	Rt. 24, 26
Political Science 11	Root 6
Spanish 1	Ben. 1, 3

Saturday, p. m., January 26

Psychology 1	Sci. 109, 211
Psychology 3	Chem. 10
Psychology 7	Chem. 15
Pub. Sp. 1 (b, c, d, e)	Truax 1, 3
Pub. Sp. 1 (h, s)	Ben. 1, 3
Pub. Sp. 1 (a, f, g)	Rt. 20, 23, 24

Monday, a. m., January 28

French 5	Chem. 10
German 3	Ben. 1, 3
German 5 (d)	Ben. 6
Spanish 3	Truax 1
Spanish 5	Truax 1

Monday, p. m., January 28

French 1	Truax 1
French 3	Chem. 10
German 1	Ben. 4, 6
Music 11	Sil. 2
Physics 3	Science 312

Tuesday, a. m.,, January 29

Anthropology 3	Root 34
Biology 5	Sci. 211
Economics 7	Truax 6
English Literature 7	Root 23
Geology 3	Sci. 109
Greek 1	Mid. 101
History 11	Truax 1
Mathematics 7	Root 24
Political Science 9	Root 20

Tuesday, p. m., January 29

Education 3	Ben. 1
English Composition 1	
(a)	Truax 1
(b)	Truax 3
(c)	Ben. 1
(f)	Truax 4
(g)	Truax 6
(q-1)	Ben. 3
(q-2)	Chem. 10

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Fulbright Student Writes On Oxford

English Education Evaluated; Very Different From U. S. Brand

A junior Phi Bete, chairman of the Publications Board, and Captain of the cross-country team, William R. Hutchison was graduated from Hamilton last year. He was awarded a Fulbright scholrship and is now studying at Oxford University. The following article is his report on higher education in England.

Arthur L. Goodhart, the first American to head an Oxford college, tells of a young don here who was embarrassed by having to tutor men from the States. This don was a non-smoker, and was afraid that the American whose tutor doesn't sit suffused in pipe-smoke feels he has come three thousand miles for nothing.

Perhaps that's an Oxford misunderstanding of America as much as the reverse, but it is quite true that Americans have some exaggerated notions about anything English. What a revelation, for instance, to come here and find that doctors' waiting rooms are not filled with last month's maimed and dying, and that butter is not really rationed by the thimbleful!

Reads 24 Classics

In the same way, a few of those stock notions about the tea-drinking and boat-racing Oxford undergraduates have to be modified when one sees the kind of work most of them produce. The quantity of work done by a man striving for first honors is sometimes quite impressive: a classics scholar told me that he had found it necessary to read through twenty-four volumes of Greek and Latin prose during one six-week vacation. To be sure, nothing like this is necessary, for the majority, but it is the student's attitude toward his work, not the amount that he does, which shocks the liberally-, generally-, or otherwise-trained American. Here are first year men, just out of English 'public schools', who have an enthusiasm for their subject, and a respect for it, that distinctly is a rarity in American undergraduate life.

The reason behind this comparison certainly is not that the average English student is more mature or more book-minded than the American. Normally he spends much more time on the playing field than his American counterpart, and he doesn't hesitate to leave his books and go social several times a day. (There's no question about it: when the libraries spill out at four-thirty, these boys have a haggard, tea-hungry look that would convince any Harlem heroin-pusher that he'd happened on a gold mine.) But the student's attitude toward the academic side of his experience is unusually good, largely because he hardly understands that concept of "getting by" so well known to us.

Takes Only One Test

The Oxford system discourages his understanding such a concept simply by leaving the point at which one "gets by" to personal conjecture. The undergraduate takes one exam during the first of his three years, after which his percantile rank is essentially "in" or "out". The next exam paper he sees is the final one two-and-one-half years later. How well he performs on that final, which is a fairly imposing week-long affair, is a problem left to the student; no one else, not even the tutor who hears his weekly essay, is likely to set an explicit standard of achievement for him.

Since the Oxford curriculum, with its complete specialization, bears so much resemblance to that of an American graduate school, it is sometimes difficult to convince an English student that American undergraduates are not *ipso facto* the duller lot. We have to explain that the American who attends graduate school actually has put in four years of high-level general education that is superior to the general education offered in English schools.

English Like Arguments

Oxford students like a good argument, and these Anglo-American debates are interesting; but the more provocative conversation is likely to be that which occurs between two American students after a few hours of defending General Education. You will find them frankly concentrating on the advantages of English education, rather than its defects; and invariably they will speak with some regret of the "student" in America, who regularly is kept too busy learning things to become a "student of" anything, the serious scholar who must always stop short of what is intellectually exciting in the study of his subject in order to

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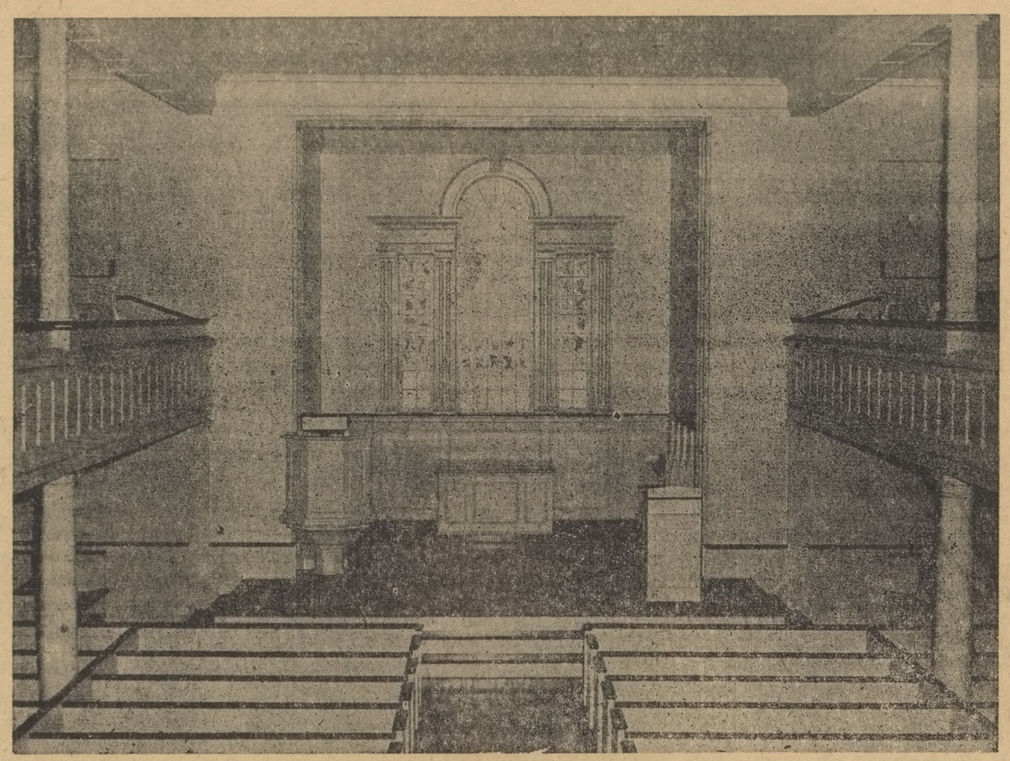
Scene Of Sunday Christmas Service



Two years ago Hamilton's Chapel was entirely renovated at a cost of more than $100,000 and rededicated as a memorial to Hamilton alumni killed in World War 2. This Sunday it will be the scene of a servce of Christmas carols and readings. The building was designed by the Albany architect Thomas Hooker and is one of the few remaining three story chapels in the country.

Hill Yuletides Are Reviewed

By Dan Fulmer

At just this same season of Christmastide in 1822, Governor DeWitt Clinton sent a letter to his son at Hamilton College with a five dollar bill enclosed and the suggestion that he "use the money in assuring himself a warmer journey home for for vacation. Whether Governor Clinton meant "Christmas cheer" or warmer clothing is not known. In any case, since Hamilton first opened its doors, students have looked forward eagerly to their preparations for the high point of the year, the Christmas vacation.

Last week, when the announcement was made in Chapel that one day had been lopped off the Christmas vacation, college powers again found that cheating Hamilton men of some of their winter vacation is a tremendous sin. A similar mistake was made in 1876. The pronunciamento then was likened to "thunder on the hills." The campus was instantly up in arms. Quickly a petition was ciculated asking the faculty to make the vacation 4 *weeks long!*

Ham. Lit. Protests

Their reasons appeal to us today. Said the *Hamilton Lit.* then: "The holiday season is a pleasant time of the year—the gaiety of Christmas time does not end either at twelve o'clock on New Year's Eve. We need a week to get rested in—this would be an agreeable and salutory thing."

Although our wassailing has been cut short, with Sir Walter Scott we can say that "we'll keep our Christmas merry still." For Hamilton campus has long been a scene of holiday spirit and celebration at this time of the year. The crusty old books of campus history reveal many Christmas traditions and tales

However, in some of the past years we see problems more pressing than the coming of Christmas cheer weighing heavily on the Hamiltonian's brow in December. In 1913 a thankfully anonymous poet was worried at Christmas time that students "maunder, chatter, trade and sleep, while those gorillas of Mexicans grapple in war."

Needs Lights—For Protection

Or on another dusty page the Hamilton student of 1880 is found saying hardly a word about the appoaching holidays in his deep consternation over the need of electric lights on the Hill so that "the swift bicycle and the ravaging sled will number fewer victims". Following a perfunctory Christmas greeting from the editors of the *Lit.* is the question, "Shall we have a telephone?"

In 1900 *Hamilton Life* reported contentedly that "we can fill our minds with no more complacent thoughts as we go home for Christmas than with reflections on the most glorious football season ever had at Hamilton." Ranking football over Santa Claus was certainly justified for a school that had "decisively vanquished" Hobart, Williams, Colgate, Rochester and Trinity.

Latin Trot For Christmas

The advertisements of the turn of the century suggest a varied selection of Christmas presents. Says one Hamilton Life ad, "Pickles and milk stop the flow of thought but a Waterman fountain pen wouldn't stop a streetcar." Alongside this profundity is the frank offer of a Latin trot with the "exact literal English translation of the Latin under each word."

In 1920 the then newly-formed Dramatic Interpretation class presented its first miracle play on the night before the beginning of vacation. Professor Fancher, with his hands quite full at Christmas time, directed this activity, and also the choir in a program of carols.

With all said and done, it's to be hoped that the modern Hamilton reader is not so jaded that he cannot still appreciate the sentiment of the Hamilton Life in 1900 that echoes into our day: "Christmas with its long vacation, its suggestive memories, its peculiar joys, already casts its sunshine upon the hopes of the Hamilton student, and three are none so dull on the Hill as cannot feel its warming influence."

A LA MODE

Nearly three-quarters of a million meals were served in the College Commons during 1943. The peace-time average is 75,000.

Mower Statements Attacked By German

Importance Of Unification Stressed; Democracy Needs Years To Grow

A few weeks ago Edgar Ansel Mowrer, famous foreign correspondent, visited the Hill. He was interviewed by the Spectator and spoke in Chapel to the student body. The following article, written by Werner Kook, German exchange student, is a reply to some of Mr. Mowrer's statements. The views expresseed are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Spectator.

A man who comes back from a round-the-world tour has, while speaking to his countrymen about the foreign countries he saw, a great responsibility. He is a living connection to the outside world and a witness to the situation there; he is the glass through which his audience will look on foreign countries. Everyone will tend to believe him more than even books and newspapers for he provides a direct, personal contact. So his impressions and statements will form and mold the opinion and outlook of his audience toward these countries as well as the actions of the audience towards them.

Enormous Responsibility

This is especially true when the speaker is a man who holds the reputation of being an authority—an old man with a life of experiences—and when the audience is made up of college youths in an age where the mind looks forward to knowledge and information and where one is easily impressed and tends to take for granted the world of an old, experienced man. This responsibility is enormous. It should make the speaker use the utmost objectivity and care, and should make him stay away from all slogans and general statements and short, impressive formulations, which, although rhetorically brilliant, usually change or simplify facts a bit.

When Mr. Edgar Mowrer spoke in Chapel he knew all this, I would like to comment on some of his statements.

West Germany Undemocratic?

From speaking to some members of the Communist youth rally in Berlin and watching their behavior, Mr. Mowrer derives the statement that the East German youth is the most democratic in Germany and that all West Germans should live for six months in East Germany in order to become democratic. No people can become democratic in six years—for this task all other nations need decades or even a century. But West Germany, I believe (and nearly all experts have the same opinion), is really doing its best. Progress is apparent everywhere, especially under the West German youth, despite the depression of the lost war, the bad economic and social situation, the division of the country, and the limited sovereignty.

An Unjustified Conclusion

But Mr. Mowrer gives, after only a short stay in Germany, his judgement with a certainty, which even an expert of long standing does not dare to have, and denies any success of all German and Allied education efforts. How can he come to know in some days or even some weeks the conviction and the attitude of a whole nation? Go to the Russian zone (which he never saw), he says, and you will become quickly and completely real democrats. It would perhaps be still more efficient to give West Germany and all not yet fully democratic countries under Russian administration for a short time. Anyway, Mr. Mowrer really gave a fine and deep encouragement to the West German people on their democratic beginnings.

Then Mr. Mowrer expresses his hope that "unification of Germany does not occur until West Germany is so thoroughly imbedded in the economic and social system of Western Europe that nationalism becomes impotent." The division of the country is the biggest German problem, and unification is the strongest desire of every German.

Strange Nationalism

But Mr. Mowrer has no interest and comprehension for these wishes of a people. But he has a slogan: dangerous German nationalism—not the probable nationalism towards unification, which would be satisfied by that event, but a nationalism which would be awoken by unification and would tend to associate with the East, although the West German government has declared several times, and nearly all party leaders and the great part of the people agreed, that it would reject unity on Soviet terms and accept it only in complete freedom. So Mr. Mowrer proposes to keep West Germany away from East Germany in order to prevent this nationalism. But just before he has described East Germany as the ideal breeding ground for democracy, and one should think it would influence West Germany advantageously. In a mysterious process, however, the whole thing becomes nationalistic. Recognizing his somehow illogical way, Mr. Mowrer is looking for an especially strong argument, goes back in history and presents as a result of his profound studies the thesis that an ambitious Germany always associates as it did under Frederick the Great, Bismarck, and Hitler.

Although the facts—that the Prussian king Frederick in his fight with England against the German emperor and France in a time of dynastic wars is rep-

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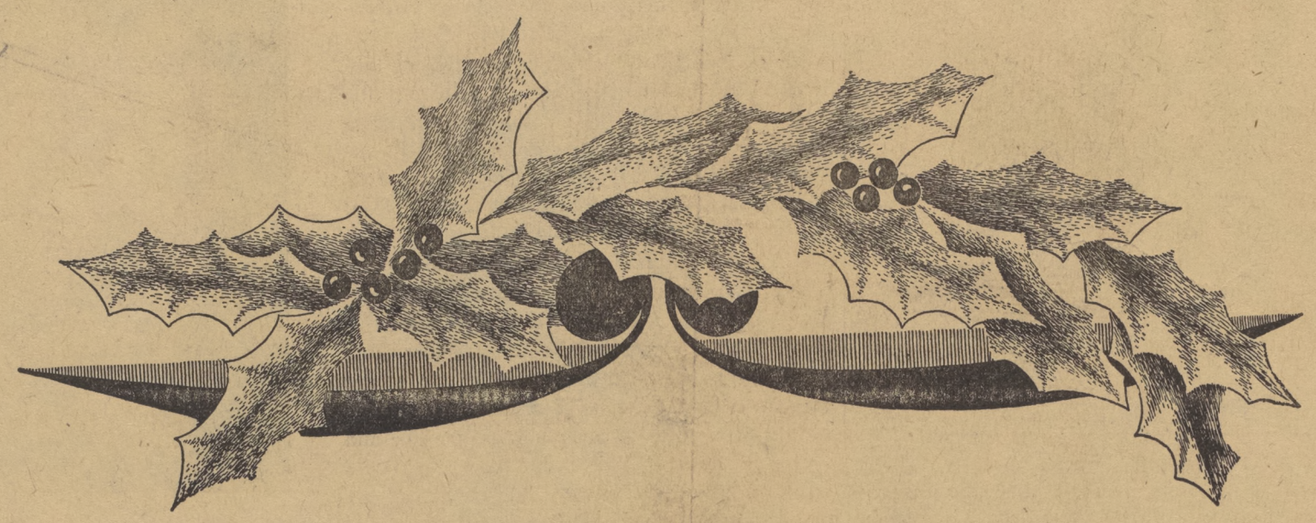

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Fraternities At Hamilton . . .

This is the second in a series of three editorials on Hamilton's fraternity system.)

A seecond purpose of a Hamilton College education, as outlined by the administration, is the preparation of students for responsible participation in society.

It is important to remember that Hamilton is not only a College but also a community where every person, both faculty member and student, is, to some extent, dependent upon the College as a whole and upon its graduate and undergraduate personnel. All work together towards a common, albeit vague, goal. One part of community living at Hamilton is the personal relationship between faculty and students. Our research atempted to determine the part which fraternities can play in improving this relationship.

Provide Place And Opportunity

Fraternities now provide the place — the houses—and the opportunity—teas, cocktail parties, dinners, and dances—for faculty to mingle with, and talk to, fraternity members. But these organiized affairs are not completely successful; the atmosphere is strained, and few fraternity members take the opportunity to meet their guests.

Perhaps faculty-student relationships should be the concern of individuals only and should not be of importance to an organized social group. We believe, however, that the fraternity should play a definite role here. Discussion and association with older people — faculty, alumni, or parents of other boys — are parts of the social process of "growing up," and, as such, should be encouraged by the fraternities. Because the current atmosphere in these relationships is strained, and because the conversation is almost completely "small talk" of a forced and polite nature, both groups—students and faculty—need to make concessions. The "chip-on-the-shoulder" attitude of some professors (and often students, too) could and should be eliminated by attempting to have conversation based on mutual interests, curricular or otherwise, and by planning informal activities in which both groups can take part. And the house should help make belevable the attitude that "professors are people, too," and that satisfactory and stimulating faculty-student associations are essential not only to the avid student who wants to get ahead but also to all students as a part of their social development.

More Joint Activities

We suggest that more student-faculty activities—seminars, teas, and desserts in faculty homes—provide one solution. We also urge that, if houses make a practice of inviting faculty guests for dinner, the invitations be made in an organized fashion. This will mean that the same faculty members don't visit one house every month, and that the guests over a year will represent a wide range of interests.

We also feel that the fraternity has a direct responsibility ot its freshmen to promote their friendship with adults on the Hill. The house should give to each freshman the opportunity to meet informally each professor he has in class. Once a personal relationship has been established under informal conditions, the student will feel less shy or backward about conferring with his teacher if he has difficulty in his studies.

Admitting that student-faculty relationships are always on a personal and individual basis, we feel that the fraternity does have a definite obligation to itself and tts members, and to the College community, to foster closer faculty-student ties. More opportunities for contact, a different and more informal atmosphere, an organized plan for inviting faculty, arranging for freshmen to meet their professors outside of class, and greater recognition of the need for better student-faculty relationship because of the nature of the Hill community and the importance of the social development of each member—all these could help improve the present condition of student-faculty relationships. At present the fraternities are providing the place and the opportunity—but the spirit is missing.

Clinton Scollard, '81, Gained Fame As American Author And Teacher

By Bill Orth

The Hamilton graduating class of 1881 had as one of its members a man who was to achieve recognition as a poet, author, teacher, and originator of the curve ball. This man was Clinton Scollard.

Scollard was born in Clinton, September 18, 1860. His father, James I. Scollard, was one of Clinton's most illustrious residents. James Scollard, in addition to being a practicing physician, was president of two small railways, a bank director, and the owner of farm land in the Clinton area. Clinton Scollard's step-mother is the individual to whom he attributes the development of his interest in literature.

Discovered Curve Ball

After graduation from the Clinton Liberal Institute, Scollard entered Hamilton. While here, he was active in all sports, but it was in baseball that he excelled. On the now vacant lot past Bristol Road on College Street, Scollard and his battery mate, "Bumpus", would terrify the opposition with the now famous curve ball. Scollard achieved good grades at Hamilton, being one of the finalists in the competition for the Clark Prize, and the winner of the Kellogg Prize.

After graduation in 1881, Scollard taught at the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. In 1883, he resigned, partly because of health and partly to give him more time for travel. After extensive travels, including post graduate study at Harvard, he returned to Hamilton in 1888 to teach English. In 1896 he resigned from his position as head of the English department to devote more time to his writting, but returned for the academic year of 1911-12 at which time he was given the honorary degree of L.H.D.

Rising Literary Figure

During this time, Scollard was becoming known in the literary world. His most famous works include, *Khamsin, As I Came Down From Lebanon,* and *The Cloistering of Ursula.* Clinton Scollard is not considered a great writer, but his versatile subjects are presented with flawless form and accurate observation.

In the fall of 1932, Clinton Scollard died.

NAMES AND FACES

Until the year 1946, Hamilton men in their quest for a well-rounded liberal arts education were unable to delve into the field of anthropology. But in that year, Dr. Earl Count was called to the Hill to introduce the subject into the College curriculum. He has developed the field of anthropology at Hamilton to the stage where seven separate courses are offered, including studies of mythology, language, fundamentals of culture, and pyhsical anthropology.

Spent Childhood in Balkans

He has lived in many areas of the United States—California, the East Illinois, and Denver, Colorado. Much of his childhood was spent in the Balkans, where he was fascinated by the means in which the various ethnic groups celebrated the Christmas festival. His curiosity was aroused to discover how people live and do things, and especially why they do. These childhood experiences were important in his final choice of study, anthropology.

Although he began his academic carrer in theological studies (he is an ordained Episcopal minister), he took his Ph.D. in Anthropology at the University of California. He also has worked as an associate professor of anatomy at the New York Medical College, and at the time of his appointment to his Hamilton post, was a research associate of the Viking (now the Wenner-Gren) Fund for anthropological research.

Made a Holiday of Christmas

One of his main interests in anthropology and in life has been a study of Christmas. As he explains, "The celebration of Christmas represents more than a fad; it includes something very profound. It is a time of year when people's hearts come to the surface, and goodwill and happiness reign." He develops his ideas on the holiday in his book, *Four Thousand Years of Christmas,* in citing the traditions of many cultural groups in the celebration of Christmas. The "Four" in his title is something of a surprise to most people, but as Dr. Count explains, "The many festivals and holiday customs springing from the beliefs people held represent a celebration of Christmas, even for the two thousand years before the actual birth of Christ."

The idea that "there is something different in the air" at Christmas has made this season very sigfinificant in the lives of Dr. Count and his wife. He mentioned especially the thrill of his first Christmas at Hamilton after having lived in New York City. The choir that year sang Christmas carols of many nations, the students voluntarily sent packages of canned goods to Europe, and the community spirit of Christmas on the Hill struck home. The carol sings in Commons, the informal groups touring the campus singing, and various other informal gestures serve to bring to the Hill and to the Counts the idea of "something different in the air . . . a peace on earth, a good will to men."

Grid Squad Honored For Union Triumph; Alumni Give Banquet

Utica area alumni honored the 1951 Hamilton football team and coaching staff for their victory in the Union game, the first since 1946, with a banquet at the Yahnundasis Golf Club Wednesday evening, December 5.

Highlighting the evening were movies of the Union game and the presentation of miniature gold footballs with the Union game score inscribed, to all members of the thirty-six man squad and manager Charlie Bates.

Captains Speak

Sherrill Sherman, '04, ably performed his duties as toastmaster. Next year's co-captains Dick Gumerlock and Don Abrahams spoke briefly for the team while Head Coach Don Jones spoke for the four man coaching staff.

Dr. Preston Clark, 1928 Union football captain and Bart Gorman, 1919 Hamilton Captain, commented on the Hamilton-Union rivalry. John L. Strickland, '04, presented the gold footballs.

DKE, ELS Take Intramural Games

Delta Kappa Epsilon and Emerson Literary Society emerged the victors in Monday night's intramural basketball doubleheader. With Don Abrahams and Gene Stephens leading the scoring with ten and nine points respectively, DKE rolled to a 36-25 triumph over Chi Psi.

ELS, sparked by Harold Sussman's twelve markers, surged to a 17-10 half-time lead over Sigma Phi and then went on to win 33-25. Charlie Graaskamp scored ten points for the losers.

Exam . . . Cont.

English Composition 1A	Root 33
Ethics 1	Ben. 5
Geology 5	Sci. 109
German 11	Ben. 6
Latin 5	Mid. 101
Mathematics 3	Root 24
Mathematics 5	Root 26
Mathematics 13	Root 20, 23
Music 5	Sil. 24
Music 7	Sil. 2
Physics 9	Sci. 310
Wednesday, a. m., January 30	
Art 7	Root 33
Chemistry 9	Chem. 15
Economics 1 (h)	Tr. 1
Economics 5	Tr. 6
English Literature 11	Root 6
Latin 1	Mid. 101
Philosophy 1 (h-1)	Hayner Tr. 3
Philosophy 1 (h-2) (Synakowski)	Tr. 4
Wednesday p. m., January 30	
Art 5	Chem. 10
Thursday, a. m., January 31	
Biology 1	Sci. 109, 211
Economics 1 (b & c)	Truax 1, 3
Economics 9	Root 33
Thursday, p. m., January 31	
Biology 7	Sci. 211
Chemistry 3	Chem. 10
French 18	Ben. 1
French 19	Ben. 3
Political Science 1	Tr. 1, 3
Political Science 7	Root 23
Spanish 11	Ben. 6
Friday a. m., February 1	
Art 9	Root 33
Chemistry 5	Chem. 10
Ethics 5	Root 6
Latin 3	Middle 101
Music 1A	Sil. 24
Music 9	Sil. 2
Political Science 13	Truax 1
Friday, p. m., February 1	
Political Science 5	Truax 1, 3

APPOINTED IN 1766

Samuel Kirkland, founder of Hamilton College, was appointed missionary to the Oneida Indians in 1766.

Social Ticket Sales Fall Short Of Mark

Bob Lang, chairman of the College Social Committee, reported this week that 320 social tickets had been sold at the time sales closed on Saturday.

"Although we did not reach our goal of 400 tickets sold," Lang said, "the Committee does not expect that any curtailment of activities planned under the ticket will be necessary."

Count Views Holiday As Ancient Tradition

Christmas is not only a commemoration of an event in the development of Christianity but also a manifestation of man's ancient attempt to participate in the recurring struggle of life with death, good with evil, and order with chaos, claimed Earl W. Count, Hamilton anthropology professor, in a SCA lecture Wednesday night in the Chapel.

Dr. Count, speaking on *Christmas Through Four Millennia,* traced yearly religious observances from their beginnings 4,000 years ago in Mesopotamia through their manifestations in Israel, Rome, and northern Europe.

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CONTINENTAL CLIPPINGS . . .

By Jim Scott

Back from Philadelphia and the North-South All-Star Game where he started at right half for the Northern squad, Chuck Frisbie has been reminiscing on his chance to play in the "big time" intercollegiate soccer circuit, if only for a game. Though the North team lost, 3-2, Chuck was full of praise for the play of his teammates and for coaches Ross Smith of Cornell and Allison Marsh of Amherst who gave everyone on the sixteen man roster a chance to play a good portion of the game.

Hamilton's '51 soccer captain especially lauded the play of Amherst All-American, Howie Burnett, who monopolized Northern scoring with two goals in the opening period. Left fullback Jackson Hall, Dartmouth, and inside-left, Bill Cordes, Yale, also impressed Chuck with their sparkling play. Nearby Cortland State was represented by two men, George Kimball and Wayne Ellithorpe, while Brockport State, a former Hill opponent, had one.

Penn State's Kurt Klaus, crackerjack center-half, stood out for the South Team, which Charlie thought played an amazing ball control game and really deserved the win. Interestingly enough, while the North had one two-hour scrimmage session on Friday, the South team was chosen Saturday morning from twenty five candidates who had practiced Thursday and Friday. Thus, some players who had traveled diistances as far as three hundred miles to play never even got to dress for the game.

One thing that mystified Chuck was the lack of publicity and of organized planning devoted to the staging of the affair which is held once every four years. Played at LaSalle College's McCarthy Stadium, which can accommodate a few thousand spectators, the game drew approximately five hundred people. The same afternoon, on the other side of town in Franklin Field, an inter-city high school football game was attended by several thousand fans. The Philadelphia dailies gave the event little space; the program for the contest was mimeographed on a small folded piece of paper. It seems rather unfortunate that in a time of extra-emphasis on all forms of college athletics, that the National Inercollegiate Soccer Association couldn't have put a little more time and effort into making this post-season honor game as big a success financially and publicity-wise as it was in the caliber of play.

Here opportunity came knocking with the best college soccer players in the East. The game promised to be one whale of a sporting event, and it was. It's too bad the-powers-that-be felt it didn't merit greater recognition.

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A few monhs ago if some hardy soul had predicted that the December tenth *Utica Daily Press* story of college basketball would have as its head, "The Lone college basketball team in the Utica area with an undefeated record is Hamilton," probably no one would have listened. The preceeding is an exact quote from Monday morning's edition. It's great to field a winner!

Continentals Down Utica College, 68-61, In Rough Game For Third Hamilton Win

Vin Coyle Paces Hamilton Offense

Sloppy, rough-and-tumble play and ineffectual officiating hampered Hamilton's basketball team last night at the UFA gym before 300 fans, but the Continentals were able to extend their win streak to three games by beating Utica College, 68-61.

After the lead had exchanged hands four times in the first half. Jim Ryan put the Continentals out in front for good, ten seconds before the halftime buzzer, with a 30 foot one-handed push shot.

UTICA	FG	FB	TP
Fovel, f	1	1	3
Coletti, f	4	3	11
Nichols, f	3	2	8
Valenzi, c	9	1	19
Fitzg'd	4	2	10
Wittenb'g, g	4	2	10
Totals	25	11	61
HAMILTON	**FG**	**FB**	**TP**
Mullett, f	5	1	11
Clyne, f	0	1	1
Wood, f	3	2	8
Ibach, f	1	0	2
Battenh'n, f	2	0	4
Fribush, f	0	0	0
Wetherbee, c	3	2	8
Vaughn, c	3	4	10
Ritt, g	0	0	0
Coyle, g	5	3	13
Ryan, g	5	1	11
Robinson, g	0	0	0
Persons, g	0	0	0
Totals	27	14	68

Referees: Kaminski and Maxwell.

Led By Coyle

Little Vince Coyle paced the Hamilton attack with thirteen points—all scored in the second half. Ted Mullett and Ryan both had eleven, and Dave Vaughn tallied ten. Top scorer for the night was Utica's Rudy Valenzi, who had nineteen.

In the preliminary Hamilton's junior varsity ran to a 53-38 victory over the Utica juniors. After leading 26-12 at halftime, the Blue J.V. eased to their first win in two starts. Bud Lyle led Don Jones'cagers with 20. Dinny Calkins had ten and Dan Taylor, seven.

Trailing by 15-11 at the end of the first quarter, Hamilton's varsity drew up to a 23-23 tie midway through the second period. Mullett and Bill Wetherbee put the Blue ahead, 27-23, but field goals by Valenzi and Walt Fitzgerald plus free throws by Fitzgerald and Bob Coletti gave Utica a 28-27 edge with one minute left. Then Ryan's two-pointer put Hamilton ahead at halftime, 29-28.

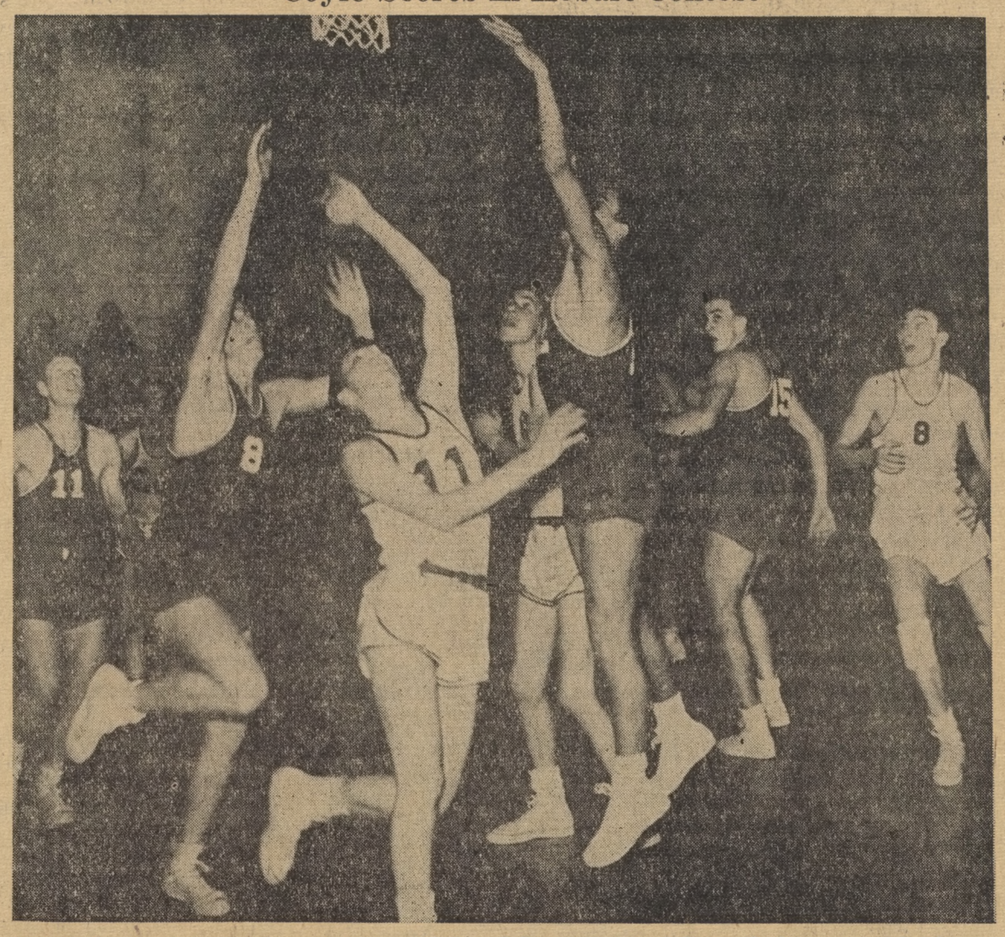
Vaughn and Ryan gave the impetus to a Hamilton drive which gave the Blue a 46-40 third quarter lead.

The officials failed to work together at all effectively, and after the first five minutes the game was completely out of their control. In a desperate attempt to slow down the contest they called 52 fouls—31 against Hamilton.

Hamilton's next game is scheduled for January 11 in Alumni Gym against Williams.

—J.H.M.

Coyle Scores In Hobart Contest



Art Rath, Spectator photographer, caught the follow through of Vince Coyle's spectacular layup in the Hobart-Hamilton basketball game. Pictured are Hamilton players Rog Wood (20), Coyle (11), Bill Wetherbee (16), and John Ibach (8) and Hobart players Wilson (11), Colgan (8), Brascho (12), and Berkley (15).

Hill Natators Edge Cortland Teachers In Opening Meet

Last Saturday the Hamilton swimming team with six lettermen and four freshmen on its roster opened the 1951-52 season by defeating Cortland State Teachers College, 48-36, at Cortland.

The meet was not decided until the last race when Hamilton's four hundred yard relay team, anchored by captain John Egner, outswam the Cortland team by three feet. Peter Hetzer, an exchange student, swam brilliantly in his first intercollegiate swim meet, racking up a time of 2:49.8 in winning the two hundred yard back-stroke. Paul Quinn was the leading freshman swimmer, finishing second and third in the two races he entered. Sophomore John Kuck won the fancy diving while Steve Frank, former Metropolitan A.A.U. Junior Medlay Champion, won the two hundred yard breast-stroke. Howie Tobias won two seconds in events which are not his specialties.

"This is the happiest day of my life," said Joe Smith, new head swim coach, after the meet. An alumnus of Cortland, he used to swim the backstroke against Hamilton.

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New York Offers Good And Varied Fare For Vacation Theater-Goers From Hill

By Bill Woodman
Charlatans' Production Manager

With the holiday season just around the corner, many Hamiltonians will be heading towards New York, planning to see and do as much as can be crammed into a fortnight's vacation. During the week or so after Christmas, audiences in theatres, concert halls and museums will be predominantly students who are desirous of seeing live entertainment, too often a rare commodity around the campus. For those in doubt as to how they should spend their money, the following may help partially to clarify what is worth seeing and what isn't.

Much Worthwhile Drama

The pessimistic prophets have been gloating over the lack of substantial dramatic material in the legitimate Broadway productions this season. Don't listen to them! There is, and will be, much that is worthwhile in the way of straight drama.

At the moment, the Theatre Guild is presenting Bernard Shaw's brilliant play *Saint Joan,* and they have put Uta Hagen in the title role. Miss Hagen gives a thoroughly skilled performance with flashes of inspiration, and her supporting company, with a few exceptions, does a competent job. This may not be the greatest *Saint Joan* New York has ever seen, but it is certainly a good one, worth everybody's attention. Another Shaw work, *Don Juan in Hell,* is being presented for the first time in the city by an all-star cast including Charles Boyer, Charles Laughton, Cedric Hardwicke and Agnes Morehead. This dream sequence from the same author's *Man and Superman* is done without aid of scenery or props, and provides perhaps the most stimulating and electrifying evening one is likely to spend in the theatre. In mid-December, Sir Laurence Olivier and his wife, Vivien Leigh, will bring their two productions of Shaw's *Caesar and Cleopatra* and Shakespeare's *Antony and Cleopatra* to town in what promises to be the event of the season. The advance interest has proved to be so great, in fact,

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Christmas Holiday

Christmas vacation will begin next Thursday at 4:30 p.m. Classes will resume at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 3.

Hamilton Booters Complete Eighth Winning Season

By Jim Moodey

This season, for the fourth straight year, Hamilton College fielded a winning soccer team. The 1951 club, coached by John Panatier, set a new Hill record by winning five of six contests. Of the twenty-seven recorded seasons of Continental soccer, only eight have seen the Hillmen win at least half their games.

The birth of soccer on the Hill back in 1920 was not an auspicious one, for the team managed to score only one goal while dropping all five contests. It was not until 1924 that the Blue left the field victorious with a 5-3 win over RPI.

Depression In Soccer

There followed a great depression in soccer stock on the Hill. After the 1927 squad posted a two and two record, thirteen seasons passed before another Hamilton team managed to win half their games. During this period the Continentals won fourteen and tied three of their sixty-seven contests, including two years in which all six games were lost. Although the 1940 squad defeated three of the six opponents on its difficult schedule, the Hill clubs of the following years lapsed back into the ways of the teams of the thirties.

In 1948, Panatier's first year at the helm of the team, the soccer picture on the Hill brightened considerably. That season the club won three and tied two of the six contests, setting a new Hamilton record. Since '48, soccer has continued on a winning basis, with the team winning fourteen, losing six, and tying four. This year's squad set a record by beating Colgate for the second straight year, and also extended the victory skein over Union to three.

Of the schools on the schedule in 1951, only Colgate played Hamilton in 1920 (beating the Continentals twice by 2-0 scores.) Before the war the Hillmen consistently met Williams, Cornell, Syracuse, RPI, Colgate, and Rochester, but only the series with the Rivermen has proved successful, each team having won eight with four ties. This year the Continentals defeated Ithaca, Oswego, Colgate, Rochester, and Union, and lost to Champlain.

Famous Last Words:

Boy, have I got a lot of homework to do during Christmas!

Calkins Boots Home Nine Goals To Pace Blue Soccer Squad

Hamilton's 1951 soccer team not only beat five of its six opponents but also thoroughly outstatisticed them, it was revealed this week by Coach John Panatier.

Hamilton had 163 shots at goal to the opponents' 84, and Hamilton had only 45 goalie saves while the opposition had 85. Hamilton outscored its six opponents, 22-6.

Sophomore Dinny Calkins was the top individual scorer. He had nine goals and four assists for thirteen points. Phil Hills scored three times and helped on seven other goals.

The individual scoring:

	G	A	TP
Calkins	9	4	13
Hills	3	7	10
Payne	4	2	6
Vollmer	1	5	6
Frisbie	1	1	2
Graaskamp	1	1	2
Abrams	1	0	1
Deacon	1	0	1
Carman	1	0	1

Hamilton Six Faces Powerful Teams; R.P.I. First To Skate Against Blue

By Ron Krauss

The Sage Building will reverberate with the sound of razor-sharp blades and clashing sticks January 5 as Hamilton's Hockey Squad opens the 1952 season against an invading Rensselaer Poly sextet. This game will be the first in a rugged 13 game schedule, seven of which will be played on home ice.

The '52 schedule differs only slightly from that of last year when the Continentals won six of fourteen contests. Princeton has been dropped, Colgate has discontinued hockey as an intercollegiate sport, and the Blue play St. Lawrence only once this season; otherwise, the opponents stack up in virtually the same manner. The Buff and Blue will face RPI, Williams, Middlebury, and Norwich in home-and-home contests and will also tussle with Champlain, Army, Clarkson, St. Lawrence, and the Alumni in single games.

DPI Out to Spoil Debut

RPI will be very anxious to spoil the Continentals' debut and to avenge the double defeat inflicted by our 1951 team when we racked up the Engineers, 5-2 and 9-5. Coach Ned Harkness has a young Rensselaer squad which should be very troublesome. They have lost to Yale 6-2 this season, but played an excellent game in doing so. The first line will be composed of freshmen Frank Chiarelli and Ambrose Mosco at the wings and sophomore Abbie Moor at center. Co-captains Don Shildnec and Dick Whitcomb, both seniors, along with Lou La Fontaine are the three top defensemen. Goalie Harris Siegel, a fiery little junior from the Bronx, is relatively inexperienced, but should improve. RPI, which is bolstered by an adequate second line of Frank Paradine, Gordon Peterkin, Jim Pope, ought to prove to be very worthy opponents.

The Continentals' first game on foreign ice will be played against Champlain College, a team which has much work cut out for it. The Bluejays have only two of last years lettermen, goalie Bill Carr and defenseman George Garrant. Defenseman Fred Hayes, who earned his letter two seasons ago, and three of last year's performers will make up the balance of the experienced men. These vets are sophomores Bob Quinn, and Paul Robinson, line and defensemen respectively, and senior defenseman Larry Chamberlain. These men saw only limited hockey last year, but will be skating hard to improve on Champlain's 1951 record of 1-4 and to revenge a 14-4 plastering administered by Hamilton.

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The Continental puckmen al-

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Woollcott Teamed With P. Fancher For Choir Fame

By Dick Beglin

Music has always played an important role in the life and tradition of Hamilton. But perhaps the Hill's highest peak of musical accomplishment came in the era of the 1920's and 30's.

Hamilton had always had a choir, and usually a good one. For many years President Stryker himself conducted the choir as they sang hymns and anthems in chapel. But in 1920, with the arrival of Paul A. Fancher, the choir achieved wide recognition both on and off the Hill.

Aimed At Perfection

With just average, reasonably good voices, Professor Fancher developed a singing group of far more than average singing ability. Determination, a great deal of hard work, and a rigorous insistence that every detail be perfect were some of the factors through which Fancher effected the transformation of the group of sixty average boys into a remarkable choir. The process had to be begun all over each year for sometimes the personnel underwent a change of one-third or more of its members through the graduation of seniors. But a nucleus was always left.

Woollcott Lends Support

Alexander Woollcott, famous critic and loyal Hamilton alumnus, first induced the Hamilton Choir to give a New York recital in 1925, for which he engaged the Booth Theatre. He invited Hamilton alumni, their families, and many friends to be his guests on a Monday afternoon when theatrical folk are not busy. This first concert may be best explained in Mr. Woollcott's probably biased words: "I have never had my name affixed to anything which gave me greater pleasure, greater pride, and greater satisfaction than the visit of the Hamilton Choir to the Booth Theatre."

For three years, Mr. Woollcott played host to the choir for New York recitals, held at the Plymouth Theatre after the first year. By 1928 the choir's reputation seemed to be well enough established to risk a "pay concert." A large crowd, including Elsie Janis, Lynne Fontaine, Alfred Lunt, Paul Robeson, Helen Hayes, Peggy Wood, Morris Gest, and Deems Taylor filled Town Hall.

Kahn Hears Special Concert

At one time Mr. Otto Kahn invited three friends to come to Clinton where a very special concert was given for him by the choir. It was to be a secret for whom the recital was being given, but the boys knew it was for some celebrity. They may have been a little disappointed when they found it was only for the president of the Metropolitan Opera Company, for the betting had been in favor of Al Jolson.

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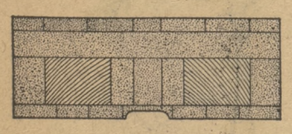

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Infirmary And Chapel Housed Hamilton Books In Past Years

Hamilton has not always been able to boast of a 223,907 volume library—growing at the rate of 3500 volumes per year—or as the catalogue puts it, "an unusually large and well-balanced collection for a college its size." The present collection has grown from a nucleus of 186 books which Azel Backus, president and librarian of the college in 1812, divided into four categories—divinity, history and travels, poetry, and arts and sciences—and called a "library well-selected."

Original Collection of 186 Books

The position of librarian in the early days of Hamilton was not a difficult one, and was usually filled by the president or the clerk of the faculty. Few problems were involved in operating a library of 186 volumes, although the first librarians did complain about the "smoke which comes down from the fireplace much to the detriment of the books." Such problems were solved in 1828 when the collection, then totaling 1800 books, was moved to the third floor of the newly constructed Chapel.

The Hamilton library remained in the Chapel for nearly forty years. During this forty year period, generous gifts of alumni Dr. Edward Robinson, the Hon. Wm. C. Noyes and others, as well as the acquisition by the college of the libraries of the Phoenix and Union Literary Societies, filled the make-shift library to overflowing. In 1865, librarian Anson Upson stressed the importance of books to a college, and the need for a suitable location for the collection: "A college without books," he told the Trustees, "is like an army without ammunition. . . but it is a great wrong to those who have enriched the college with liberal donations of books to overlook the necessity of providing a suitable building for the library. . ."

Smith Library Built in 1866

The building recommended by Mr. Upson in 1865 materialized the following year as the Perry Smith Library Hall, the building now used as the Infirmary. Built for $50,000, donated by the Hon. Perry Smith of Chicago and by other Western alumni, the new library was completed with some delays and was ready for occupancy in June, 1872.

The Perry Smith Library, with a capacity of 60,000 volumes, served Hamilton intellectual needs for the next forty years. In this period, beginnings of the rare book and coin collections were made and housed in special rooms upstairs which served as a museum, and contained such miscellany as a portrait of Ho Nee Yeath Thn No Ron, and a full-sized Daguerreotype. The Dewey Decimal System was adopted by the library in 1888.

In 1910, the first floor of the library was equipped with electric lights—not without some skepticism. "In regard to the adequacy of such equipment," said the librarian, "there is a great difference of opinion." Differences of opinion seem to have been resolved, however, for the second floor was wired the following year.

1911 Librarian Urges Expansion

The librarian's annual report of 1911 again ended by recommending more room: "The reading room is overcrowded . . . readers are cramped for room . . .facilities for work are not what we need. There are not enough tables, and no more can be got in the room. If more room were available, the use of the library would increase, and its value to the college would be multiplied."

The second new library—this one the gift of Mrs. Ellen Curtiss James—was completed in 1914. The 70,000 volumes of 1914 had plenty of room to rattle around in the 200,000 volume capacity building—but not for long.

Since 1812, the library has grown by more than 200,000 volumes, and now contains 223,907 books and many thousands of pamphlets. From a staff of one part-time librarian, the current staff of ten employees has developed. Librarian Anson Upson could certainly call Hamilton today "an army with much ammunition."

GRAND OLD MAN

Elihu Root, '64, was a United States Senator from New York, Secretary of War, and Secretary of State. He won a Nobel Prize.

Mowrer Statements Attacked . . . Cont.

resenting German nationalism and that Germany under Bismarck is ambitious—are alone astonishing enough, this argument, even when we take the facts for granted, disappears by itself. Frederick fought five years against Russia, was associated with it half a year, and had, for the rest of his life, a cool neutrality. Bismarck's feelings towards Russia were not friendship or solidarity but fear of the wide Russian land and the uselessness of a war against it; he kept the German policy independent from any neighbor's interest. Hitler had for two years a neutrality pact with Russia and fought four years against it. In the last half century Germany fought in two world wars against Russia. But strangely enough, Mr. Mowrer says, an ambitious Germany is associating itself with the East. I wonder where he got his knowledge from.

One of the most striking statements of Mr. Mowrer is that Germany becomes tricky and wants to be paid to be defended. To his advantage I assume that this is a misprint, for it makes no sense at all. Probably he wanted to say that Germany will be paid for taking an active part in the Western Europe defense system. But both accusations are wrong. For on the one hand Germany has to overcome so many problems and questions and attitudes (loss of eight million people in the last war; a strong war-weariness in spite of all the tales about new militarism; the fear that Germany would be the battlefield in the next war; and an article in the constitution, highly appreciated by the Allies before, granting everybody the refusal of military service as a personal liberty) which simply prevent a quick conclusion in this matter; and on the other hand certain things like the considerable enlargement of the authority and activities of the German government are only mere suppositions, for no nation likes to see its army directed by foreign statesmen and led by foreign generals. Some people, however, deny every problem, every supposition. They say the Germans are just tricky. This will, of course, help to develop confidence and mutual understanding between the Western nations.

And that is the main trouble with all these statements. They are spoken in a time when people from all nations, and especially youth, are trying to form a building of mutual understanding and confidence, to recognize troubles and problems of the neighbor, to get rid of stiff traditions and national prejudices covering the whole world. All these wrong, or half right, or careless, or too brilliant words not only hit the relation between the nations but are destroying blows against the young, incomplete building. And, therefore, I think, Mr. Mowrer should give up his understandable bad opinion about a nation like the Germans. The youth and their building need men with the knowledge and experience of Mr. Mowrer, and, I think, their ideas are worth fighting for.

Dick Gumerlock Leads Blue Scoring, Tallies 71 Points on 10 T.D.'s

Captain Dick Gumerlock led Hamilton's individual football scoring by a wide margin, according to figures released recently. Gumerlock scored ten touchdowns and booted eleven points after touchdowns for a total of 71 points. Frosh Curt Townsend was second with eighteen points.

Complete statistics are available only for yards gained rushing. In a total of seven games the Continentals picked up 1496 yards on the ground to 1557 for the opponents.

The individual scoring:

	TD	P	TP
Gumerlock	10	11	71
Townsend	3	0	18
Galvin	2	0	12
Persons	2	0	12
Dunn	1	0	6
Seaman	1	0	6

Fulbright Student Writes . . . Cont.

prepare his assignments in four other subjects. Whatever disadvantages the Oxford undergraduate may have, unquestionably he is spared the unpleasant task of deciding to "get by" in three subjects so that he can do his best in the other two.

The Oxford system probably fails in as many respects as the American to fill every need of the educated man; and on the English side there is perhaps slightly greater reluctance to recognize the deficiencies. Still, Oxford does change, and joins with American education in the search for that happy but misty middle country where the student gets his rightful share of the educational world's experience.

No one, not even an American, would complain about the slowness with which Oxford makes these changes. For the tiime being, at least, exposure to the best in both worlds seems close enough to the ideal educational experience.

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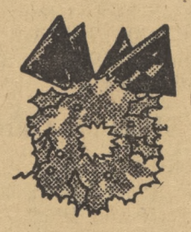

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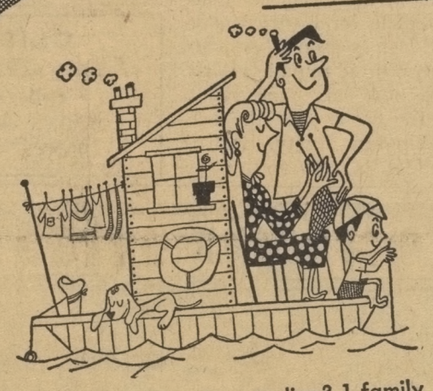

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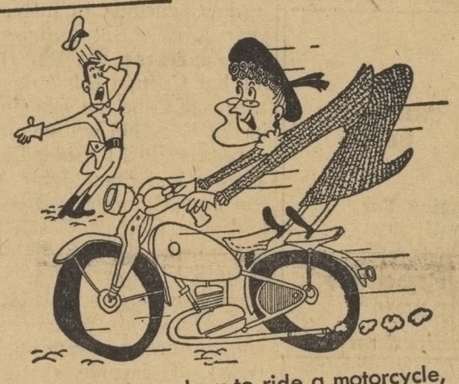

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Union Swimming Squad Hands Continentals Their First Defeat

Wednesday afternoon Union's undefeated swimming team, led by Dick Hartmann and Weiner Reiners, proved to be too much for the Continentals as they went down to their first defeat of the year, 66-18.

Charlie Bates won Hamilton's only first place. He swam the 440 in 4:56 to beat teammate Howie Tobias who was second.

Second For Kuck

John Kuck and Pete Fox took second and third, respectiively, in the diving for the Continentals. Other Hill points were scored by third places for Steve Frank in the 200 yd. breaststroke, Bates in the 200 yd. free style; Bud Menges in both the 50 and 100, Tobias in the 150 yd. medley, Hetzer in the backstroke, and Steve Frank in the breaststroke.

Hamilton's next meet is slated for January 12 when Joe Smith's swimmers face R.P.I.

Music Club Performs Two Popular Concerti

The Music Club presented evening concerts at Alpha Delta Phi last week.

Featured works were Beethoven's *Violin Concerto* and the Mozart *Horn Concerto* in E flat. Professor Berrian Shute of the music department accompanied the performers on the piano.

Tom Bridges, head of the group, announced before the Sunday concert that the entire College community is welcome to attend these events.

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Club Meetings

Two campus organizations yesterday announced meetings for next week.

The Chess Club will meet in the ELS House at 8:30 p. m. on Sunday, while the Outing Club will meet Monday at 8:15 p. m. in Root 26.

JV Basketball

Hamilton's junior varsity basketball team will play host to Manlius School tomorrow afternoon at 2:30. This will be the last game of 1951 for the junior Continentals.

Hockey Slate . . . Cont.

ways work hard in anticipation of the West Point match, losers to the Buff and Blue, 7-3, last year, Army will be without the services of young Bob Blaik, star defenseman.

Williams, 1951 victors by 5-4, and Middlebury, who defeated Hamilton twice, 6-5, and 9-4, will both be strong.

The Panthers are looking forward to a banner year in hockey, meeting Princeton, Yale, and Dartmouth as new opponents. The Duke Nelson coached team has ten lettermen returning, including Captain Bill Cronin, from last year's squad which dropped only two games. The team has been working out on the Lake Placid (N.Y.) Arena twice a week for the past six weeks.

Clarkson College, which last year was one of the four teams under consideration to represent the East in Colorado Springs, is playing its toughest hockey schedule in history this year. Coach Bill Harrison has some holes on the Blue line to fill, but Captain Bill Munro may turn out to be the best forward in the East. He will be aided by experienced Al Siddall, Doug Brown, and Stan Moore. Clarkson beat Hamilton 7-2 last year and as a forecast Coach Harrison warns, "We should be respectable in our efforts for the coming campaign."

St. Lawrence University will employ three separate lines composed of capable skaters and stick handlers in all positions. Coach Olie Kollevall is building a new sextet around four lettermen and a galaxy of freshmen and sophomores. Nick Starapoli, former Clinton Comet, and Lou Lento will be at the wings, Bob Scott and Don Maten will be the defensemen, and frosh Neil Langill will center this line. The Larries have another line set to go, but have a problem in finding a goalie to replace All-American Gene Del Vacchio. The Larries promise to be a power on ice this winter and probably the Blue's toughest opponent.

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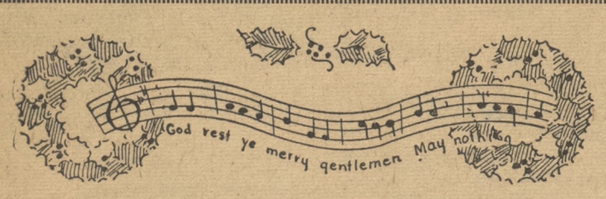
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New York Theater . . . Cont

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Four New Comedies

In a lighter vein, the season has offered up to now four comedies of varying merit. *Remains to be Seen,* the latest Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse collaboration, is an attempt to bring back the comedy-mystery to its former popularity. The attempt succeeds very slightly in both suspense and laughs, the main attractions being the vivacious Janis Paige and some fancy drumming by Jackie Cooper. Jessica Tandy and Hume Cronyn, another husband and wife team, have brought in a gentle vignette on marriage called *The Fourposter* in which they are the only characters. Anita Loos, of *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes* fame, has joined forces with the spicy French novelist, Colette, to write a comedy of manners entitled *Gigi,* which has the principal distinction of an effervescent performance by a newcomer, Audrey Hepburn. John van Druten, who has had such past successes as *I Remember Mama* and *Bell, Book and Candle,* has come up with an ironic comedy about Berlin in the early '30's called *I Am a Camera.* The chief delight of the piece is a stunning acting job by the versatile Julie Harris, who scored such a triumph two seasons back in *The Member of the Wedding.*

Late Arrivals

Expected to arrive just in time for Christmas are two plays of great promise. Katherine Cornell will be seen in Somerset Maugham's durable piece on illicit love, *The Constant Wife,* and she will have Brian Ahearne and Grace George as her co-stars. Then John P. Marquand's best-seller of a few years back, *Point of No Return,* has been fashioned into a vehicle for Henry Fonda. Among last season's crop of light plays, three remain. *Affairs of State* now has June Havoc pulling the wool over the eyes of Washington society. Barbara Bel Geddes is still getting deserved laughs out of F. Hugh Herbert's featherweight but constantly amusing *The Moon is Blue.* And Jose Ferrer's production of the comedy-melodrama, *Stalag 17,* is as voluble as it was when it opened last May.

Few New Musicals

The musical play, that ever popular and ever growing theatrical form, has produced little of note so far this season. *Two On The Aisle* is a breezy, if somewhat skimpy revue, which has Bert Lahr, Dolores Gray, and very little else. *Top Banana,* a satire on television and in particular Milton Berle, is lucky to have Phil Silvers around to keep things moving. And *Paint Your Wagon* is a very sorry attempt to make the Gold Rush period into an "integrated" musical play. The ones produced last season are far more successful and worthwhile. These include *South Pacific,* about which no comment is needed; *Guys and Dolls,* that wonderful Damon Runyan fable; and *The King and I,* probably the most beautiful show now on Broadway. For those who enjoy brass in their musicals, Ethel Merman is still around tearing the theatre apart with her interpretation of a lady ambassador in *Call Me Madam.*

Space does not permit discussion here of concerts, operas, museums, films, or night clubs, all of which have much appeal to the Hamiltonian. Let it merely be said that wherever one looks in New York, he will find something to suit each and every taste. The only admonition is "Caveat emptor!"

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Hockey Team Working Out In Arena But Can Do So Only Twice A Week

By Dick Smalley

Using the facilities of the Clinton arena, the Hamilton College hockey team has been working out for approximately three weeks.

However, Coach Greg Batt's team has been limited to only two nights a week for practice. Batt has had use of the arena for but an hour and a half every Monday and Wednesday nights. During this time the team has been drilling and scrimmaging among themselves to round into shape as quickly as possible.

Clinton Stars Scrimmaged

Last Tuesday night, the Blue got their first taste of outside competition when they engaged the Clinton Stars in a rough scrimmage. The Stars are made up of many Colgate University varsity players who are skating with Clinton because of the abandonment of the sport at Colgate.

With the loss, temporarily at least, of all three of last year's high scoring first line, Coach Batt has brought Bill May and Paul Van Dyck up from last year's J.V. These two are working together with Dick Price as the first line so far and have functioned well together. Van Dyck and May, ineligible for varsity competition last year as transfer students, received a year's experience and should help fill in for Lev MacDonald and Jim Scala, center and wing of last year's first line. Pricie has been moved up to wing to substitute for, what is hoped, the temporary loss of Captain Charlie Beeching. Last year Price started on defense but is working in well at his new position.

Beeching suffered an attack of appendicitis last Friday night and has been hospitalized this past week. He returned to classes yesterday. Doctors hope he will be able to play by mid-January.

Jack Sanborn, Charlie Reach, and Paul Mosier have been working together as the second line. Reach and Sanborn worked together on last year's team while Mosier gained experience playing for Hamilton two years ago. In the third line, Batt has two veterans and a freshman working smoothly.

The defense will be very strong this year. Tim Colt, who has played great defense for two years, will be back again. Moving into Price's spot will be Byrne Kinney who saw a lot of action last year. Playing second string defense will be Dusty Heuston and John Tirrell. Heuston saw varsity service last year while Tirrell is up from the J. V.

Rod Gander will once again be tending the nets for the Blue. Spelling Gander will be John Valaer, a sophomore who is out for hockey for the first time.

The team will be reporting back early from Christmas vacation in order to be sharp for the opening game with RPI on January 5. If conditions permit, they will be practicing twice a day in the Sage rink, starting on December 28th.

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